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group as the second printing machine and a connecting element as a coupling device. A point of separation in the coupling runs between a transfer drum belonging to the satellite printing-unit group and a transfer drum belonging to the imprinting-unit group. --

Replace the paragraph on page 3, lines 5-7, with --

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Further prior art is described in U.S. Patent 5,660,108, in the published German Patent Documents DE 43 03 797 A1 (which corresponds to U.S. Patent 5,479,856) and DE 195 03 619 A1.--

In the Claims:

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Claim 1 (amended). A modular printing machine system for printing on sheets, comprising:

a first printing machine of satellite construction type having a central first impression cylinder, and at least four printing devices assigned thereto;

a second printing machine having a second impression cylinder; and

a coupling device for selectively coupling said first printing machine and said second printing machine to one another for in-line operation thereof, having a feeding device for transferring the sheets to the second impression cylinder, and

~~A 2 d~~ at ~~12~~ ¹³ one adjusting device assigned for register correction to said feeding device.

Claim 12 (amended). A modular printing machine system for printing on sheets, comprising:

~~A 1~~ a first printing machine having a sheet feeder and being of satellite construction type with a central first impression cylinder and ~~at~~ ^{at least} four printing devices assigned thereto;

a second printing machine having a sheet delivery and a second impression cylinder, said second impression cylinder being of a different size than said first impression cylinder; and

a coupling device for selectively coupling said first printing machine and said second printing machine to one another for in-line operation thereof.

Enter The Following New Claims:

~~Cont~~ -- 14. The modular printing machine system according to claim 1, wherein said first printing machine has a first sheet delivery, and said second printing machine has a second sheet delivery.

15. The modular printing machine system according to claim 1, wherein said first printing machine is a Quickmaster QM 46-4 made by HEIDELBERGER DRUCKMASCHINEN AG, and wherein said

second printing machine is a Printmaster QM 46-1 or QM 46-2
made by HEIDELBERGER DRUCKMASCHINEN AG.

16. The modular printing machine system according to claim 1,
wherein said coupling device is used for selectively de-
coupling said first printing machine and said second printing
machine from one another for stand-alone operation of said
first printing machine. --